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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: Job Cutting Directive

REFERENCE: Federal Diary Item and related informal note from
DD/S to D/Pers dated 8 Apr 57 (attached)

1. This memorandum is for information of the Deputy Director (Support).

2. Referenced material reported that Federal agencies were ignoring a Presidential directive to abolish unnecessary jobs and raised the question of how the Agency might respond to query as to its activity in this regard. At the time you raised the question we would have been unable to point to any specific action or control implementing the directive but would have been forced to rely on a generalized policy of considering the need for each vacancy before filling it.

3. Since that time, as you are aware, the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence has proposed a senior committee which would accomplish the specific tasks of considering the necessity for continuing to man vacant positions and of reviewing the need for filled positions as well. An explanation of this plan would, we believe, satisfactorily answer the question.

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Attachments

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